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LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY IS DULY OBSERVED

Interesting Exercises Held in St. Helens Schools.

Lincoln's birthday was fittingly observed in the public schools of the city. Monday afternoon was entirely given up to the exercises commemorating the birthday of the martyred president. Each grade had their own little exercises and many visitors were present. In the auditorium the high school students gave the following program:

Selection... High School Orchestra
Cornet Solo... Mr. Shisler
Reading... Lester Lake
Oration... "The Deathbed of Benedict Arnold"... Adelaide Adams
Piano Solo... Anna Larson

This program was followed by an instructive lecture by Rev. Taylor, who chose for his subject "Lincoln, the Student's Teacher."

Miss Marion Morton, of the sixth grade, gave the following original poem:

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Abraham Lincoln, as you should know,
Was born over a hundred years ago,
In good old Kentucky,
Where they raise men to be plucky.
Nancy Hanks, his mother, so noble and bright,
Taught him many things by the candle light.
To school he hardly ever went,
But his spare hours in study spent.
Novels he never read,
But thought it better with wise thoughts to fill his head.
Law he studied for a spell,
And from all accounts he did quite well.

March fourth, eighteen sixty-one,
His term as president had begun.
Against slavery he made a strong plea
And hoped soon to set the negroes free.

Away the dove of peace did soar,
And from the hills echoed the cannon-roar;
The boys in blue met the boys in gray
And bloodshed lasted for many a day.

And at last, when the boys in blue won,
They gave three cheers for Abe Lincoln.

And this brave president of our land
Died under Booth's bloody hand.
So our seventeenth president was laid to rest.

And of all the presidents, I love him best,
Because he was brave and true right to the core,
And I know his memory shall linger evermore.

—Marion Morton.

Taken all together the exercises in each grade was very entertaining and instructive and only a lack of space forbids our giving the entire program rendered throughout the school.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Last Thursday afternoon three of the boys in chemistry class tried a new experiment, which resulted in an explosion. The force of the explosion was enough to throw several pieces of the glass into the assembly room, and great excitement reigned there for some time, but order was finally restored and no harm was done. This should teach the boys not to try new and dangerous experiments, because sometimes it is liable to result disastrously.

The freshmen seem to be very inquisitive. Last week when the hypnotist was performing at the Strand theatre three of the high school boys, all freshmen, decided to experiment and see how it would feel to be hypnotized. They experimented with the result that they performed many crazy tricks, of which the freshmen are capable of performing.

Some of the high school witnessed the basketball game between the Seapooose basketball team and S. A. A. C. team of St. Helens. As usual the Seapooose team was defeated by a score of 24 to 26.

Several of the alumni visited the high school last week. They were Dorothy John, Lois Clear and Clarence Goin.

The physical geography class has just finished an interesting study of minerals and rocks but needless to say they are glad it is done with.

SALARY INCREASE FOR CO. TREASURER

House bill 414, introduced by Representative Mueller and which some days ago was passed by the house, also passed the senate on February 12 and is in the hands of the governor for his approval. The bill provides that the salary of the county treasurer of Columbia county shall be \$1,000 per annum instead of \$600, as it is at present. Mr. Mueller introduced the bill because there was a petition from several hundred representative taxpayers of the county that the emolument of the office be increased on account of the amount of work the treasurer has to do and the responsibility he has to shoulder, and there will be very few in the county who will not be glad that the treasurer, whoever he is or whoever might be elected hereafter, will get a salary commensurate with his services.

BISHOP HUGHES HERE FOR SUNDAY

Will Preach in Methodist Episcopal Church—All Invited.

Bishop Matt S. Hughes, resident bishop of the Portland area of the Methodist Episcopal church, will be the honored guest of the Methodist church of St. Helens at the morning service next Sunday morning.

The bishop is a native of Virginia, but none the less a true exponent of the virile west. At an early age he moved to Iowa, and in 1887 was admitted to the Iowa conference. After a successful career in prominent pastorates of the middle west, he was called to one of the large churches in California, and his work there was eminently successful. At the general conference of the Methodist church in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., in May, 1916, the highest honor within the gift of the church was bestowed upon him, and he was chosen bishop, the Pacific northwest being assigned as his area, with headquarters in Portland.

Bishop Hughes is very popular, both in his church and outside of it. His unflinching good humor, keen judgment and devotion to the church and its work make him the ideal minister, and the residents of St. Helens, especially the Methodists, are to be congratulated on having an opportunity to hear him. The pastor of the local church wishes to extend a cordial invitation to all to attend the services Sunday morning.

LEGISLATURE RUSHES ROAD LEGISLATION

Emergency Bond Issue Bill is Passed—Automobile Tax Doubled.

The state senate Wednesday and Thursday rushed through legislation favorable to good roads. House bill No. 21, which provides for an emergency bond issue of \$1,800,000, the funds to be raised to make the federal road fund only in the event that the money is available from no other source was passed, and house bill No. 509, which provides for the doubling of automobile tax after August 1 of this year, also passed the senate. It is estimated that this measure will bring an additional \$250,000 into the state's treasury.

Both houses are now working hard on the plan to issue \$7,900,000 for a state bond issue to be used entirely on the highways of the state. The authors and supporters of this bond issue propose that the amount be refunded by doubling the license on automobiles, pointing out that the auto owner can well afford to pay the increased license as the upkeep of his car, lesser cost on tires and gasoline consumption will be so much less when traveling on paved roads that even with the increased license he will be way ahead.

Several county officials have telegraphed their endorsements of the bond issue and in all probability such measure will pass before the legislature adjourns.

YOUNG COUPLE ARE MARRIED

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Harrison Wednesday afternoon when Miss Libby Fowler, of St. Helens, became the bride of Mr. Richard Snyder. Rev. Hisey officiated at the ceremony. Both parties are Columbia county residents and well known here. The house was beautifully decorated with pink and white carnations. The bride was gowned in blue tulle and carried a bridal bouquet. Miss Ethel Smith caught the bride's bouquet and Mrs. Scott, of Scappoose, drew the diamond ring from the wedding cake.

After the wedding banquet the bride and groom left for Portland in the Harrison automobile, the rear of which was decorated with old shoes and a large sign stating that "We have just been married." After a short wedding trip the happy couple will make their home on the Oak Ranch, on Sauvie Island, the stock and equipment of the ranch having recently been purchased by the groom.

WOMAN'S CLUB HAS MEETING

The regular meeting of the St. Helens Woman's Club was held in the library room Wednesday afternoon. The president, Mrs. Baker, presided, and Mrs. Effie Brown called the roll to which the members responded with quotations from Robert Burns.

The library committee reported that they had purchased new books for the library, and a motion was made and seconded that the amount expended for the books be allowed. It was decided that the next meeting should be a social one, and Mrs. Effie Brown, Mrs. Babister and Mrs. Ellison were appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements. Mrs. Baker read a paper on "Ohan Skye and Inverness," and Mrs. J. S. Brown presented an interesting paper on "Aberdeen." Subjects were assigned for the remainder of the year.

LIVE NEWS OF THE WATERFRONT

Allard Leaves in Tow for San Francisco—Will Get Machinery There.

The steamer Klamath left out Wednesday night with a cargo of 1,057,000 ft. of lumber, which she will deliver at the Bay City. She also carried some 50 passengers.

The steamer Multnomah, Capt. Green, arrived in at 7 o'clock Wednesday night and immediately began taking on cargo. The vessel will clear Saturday night for San Pedro with 950,000 feet of lumber, and indications are that her passenger accommodation will all be taken.

The steamer Cello arrived in the river Wednesday morning and proceeded direct to Portland, where she will load a lumber cargo for southern California ports.

The Willamette was the only arrival of Thursday. She will load a full cargo of lumber and ties and sail for San Pedro Saturday night.

The steamer Daisy Matthews arrived in Sunday noon and proceeded to the docks of the Columbia County Mill. She sailed Wednesday night laden with 1,200,000 feet of lumber destined for San Pedro.

Under tow, the motor ship S. L. Allard left St. Helens early Thursday morning. Arrangements have been made with the Port of Portland for their tug Anconita to tow the vessel to San Francisco, and the steamer Klamath will act as convoy. Owing to the better facilities for the installation of the machinery, the McCormick company deemed it advisable for the vessel to go to San Francisco for the finishing touches. The machinery and the necessary lumber were towed in the hold of the vessel before she left. Capt. S. C. Mitchell, who will be master of the vessel, was in charge when she left the shipbuilding yards. After being outfitted the Allard will return to St. Helens to take on cargo destined for Sydney, Australia.

BUYER OF TIMBER TRACT STARTS WORK

Cruisers Now in Field Checking Up Timber Holding.

No time will be lost by the Oregon Lumber Company in commencing operations in the belt of fir timber in the Nehalem district where the company recently acquired 27,200 acres of timber from the DuBois Lumber Company at a price of approximately \$4,000,000. Such was the announcement made in Portland Tuesday by David C. Eccles, president of the purchasing company. The cruising of the timber is now in progress and President Eccles does not assume that the quantity estimated will be any less than represented by the DuBois company.

Mr. Eccles stated that his company had under consideration several proposals to extend logging railroads into the timber, but which routes will be selected and the locations of the sawmill or sawmills planned have not been definitely decided upon, but that the company expected to get busy as soon as possible. Mr. Eccles left Portland Tuesday night for Spokane, and is expected to return to the Oregon metropolis tomorrow and probably during the coming week some definite announcement will be made.

The St. Helens Commercial Club has been in correspondence with several prominent men connected with the Oregon Lumber Company, setting forth the advantages of St. Helens as a terminus for the company's railroad and also as a location for a sawmill. The letters received from the company, while not indicating any definite program, stated that St. Helens would be given consideration; that the tide water facilities and advantageous location for further enterprises would be taken into consideration. They thanked the club for its offer of co-operation and promised to investigate the matter fully.

CONSTRUCTION WORK NOW IN PROGRESS

Work Started on H. B. & A. Logging Road and Will Be Rushed.

Superintendent A. N. Weist, who will take care of the H. B. & A. logging operations, has a force of men at work tearing up some miles of the unused track of the St. Helens Lumber Company and will use the rails and ties for the first part of the construction of the four miles of logging railroad which he will build. While this work is going on, a party of surveyors are laying out the grade stakes and curves so that no delay will be experienced when the material is on the ground. The road will begin at Looman's crossing on the lumber company's road, and will follow Milton creek. The first heavy piece of construction will be a trestle 1374 feet long and 75 feet high, which will cross Milton creek. From that point until the Dr. Ross place is reached there will be no exceptionally heavy construction, although on the Ross place another long trestle will be built.

Mr. Weist, who is an experienced engineer and logger, came down from Hoquiam to superintend the work, and he stated to a Herald reporter that it would be rushed. The camp when in operation will employ about 100 men.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE HERE FEBRUARY 24

A local teachers' institute will be held in St. Helens on Saturday, February 24, in the high school auditorium, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. A very interesting program has been prepared and efforts are being put forth to make of it the best meeting of its kind ever held in the city. Among the speakers who will aid in making the program entertaining is Dr. De Busk, of the University of Oregon. Much care is being taken in the preparation of the program.

LEGISLATURE GIVES SCHOOLS \$161,000

Joint Ways and Means Committee Makes Recommendations.

The joint ways and means committee at Salem Wednesday night, finally decided to give the three higher educational institutions of the state \$161,000 between them in addition to their annual millage taxes, and the appropriations will be divided as follows: University of Oregon, \$65,000; Oregon Agricultural College, \$65,000; Oregon Normal School at Monmouth, \$31,000. The appropriation for the University of Oregon included \$50,000 for a new woman's dormitory and equipment and \$15,000 for betterments. The \$65,000 granted the agricultural college is for a unit for a new library building, being a reduction from the \$110,000 asked for in the budget. The \$31,000 given to the normal at Monmouth is to enlarge the assembly hall and gymnasium and also to provide for teaching the children of the town of Independence at the normal practice school, which is estimated at \$6,000, and the repairs to building, etc., estimated at \$25,000.

The same committee has granted the dairy and food commissioner \$38,000, a reduction of \$2,800 from the request.

The office of sealer of weights and measures is the last now left in the budget to be acted upon.

CHURCH NOTICES

Congregational Church
10:00 a. m.—Church school. New adult class just started.
11:00—Morning worship. Theme, "Anos as a Modern American."
6:30—Christian Endeavor.
7:30—Evening service. Theme, "The Parables of the Different Soils."
Bible class every Tuesday at the church, at 7:30 p. m.
Next Sunday morning an object talk for the children will be given. These talks will be given on the last Sunday of each month.

Methodist Episcopal Church
"The Friendly Church"
Albert S. Hisey, Pastor.
Sunday, February 18, promises to be a day to be remembered for its splendid services. Sunday school and the morning service will begin 20 minutes earlier than usual. Bishop Matt S. Hughes will preach the morning sermon, which begins at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. A. A. Helst will preach the evening sermon. You are invited to participate in all of these services.

LIST OF TRANSFERS

Reported by Columbia County Abstract Company.

Feb. 6—Col. Agric. Co. John Salmenon; tract 1F, Midland Drainage Dist., \$10.

Feb. 7—A. L. Parker to Lizzie E. Parker; land in Sec. 26, T. 5 N., R. 4 W., \$500.

A. T. Laws et ux. to W. E. Stevens; lots 12 and 13, block 32, St. Helens, \$10.

Feb. 8—Col. Co. Inv. Co. to A. L. Roberts; tract 92, Beaver Homes, \$150.

Richard Andrew Lillich to Andrew Etta Lillich; land in Sec. 11, T. 7 N., R. 4 W., \$5.

Thomas L. Carter et ux. to Col. Co.; land in Sec. 35, T. 7 N., R. 5 W., \$500.

Feb. 9—Sigfred Hedin et ux. to W. T. Hinson et al.; lot 2, blk. 46, St. Helens, \$10.

Feb. 10—Solomon Rock to William S. Newlun et ux.; land in Sec. 2, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Darwin G. Thayer et ux. to Chas. G. Thayer; land in Sec. 23, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$1.

West Shore Lumber Co. to C. G. Thayer; land in Sec. 23, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Chas. G. Thayer et ux. to J. B. E. Bourne; land in Sec. 23, T. 7 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Henry Morel to Col. Timber Co.; land in Sec. 15, T. 6 N., R. 2 W., \$40.

F. D. Helm et ux. to Jens P. Olsen et ux.; Sec. 29, T. 7 N., R. 2 W.

Chas. F. Briggs et ux. to Neh. Inv. Co.; land in Sec. 1, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Frank Brown et ux. to Neh. Inv. Co.; land in Sec. 35, T. 5 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

J. A. Bushong et ux. to Neh. Inv. Co.; land in Sec. 35, T. 5 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

J. L. Butts et ux. to Neh. Inv. Co.; land in Sec. 1, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Sarah E. Hendricks to Neh. Inv. Co.; land in Sec. 2, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

R. C. Jeffries et ux. to Neh. Inv. Co.; land in Sec. 1, T. 4 N., R. 2 W., \$10.

Feb. 12—Wilhelm Tetz et ux. to Rudolph Tetz et ux.; land in Sec. 15, T. 3 N., R. 2 W., \$5000.

O. A. Backstrom et al. to Louis Fransen; land in Sec. 33, T. 8 N., R. 3 W., \$10.

O. A. Backstrom et ux. to Sig Fransen et ux.; land in Sec. 33, T. 8 N., R. 3 W., \$1.

Wm. H. Wilkerson et ux. to West-ern Loan and Bldg. Co.; lot 12, blk. 45, St. Helens, \$994.48.



Interstate bridge which spans the Columbia river at Vancouver, Wash., and connects Oregon and Washington. It was formally opened for traffic Wednesday noon with impressive ceremonies. It cost \$17,000,000.

MRS. A. W. MUELLER ENTERTAINS

Engagement of Miss Ethel Matthews is Announced.

Mrs. A. W. Mueller entertained Saturday afternoon in honor of Miss Ethel Matthews. During the afternoon the engagement of Miss Matthews to Herbert Roberts, of Idaho, was announced. The wedding date has been set for July. The home of the hostess was beautifully decorated with cupid and cut flowers, and red was the color scheme, and the eighteen guests assembled were generous with congratulations and advice to the bride to be. Miss Matthews for several years has been one of St. Helens' foremost teachers and has many friends in the city. The guests present were Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Stanley, of Portland; Mrs. Lee, of Rainier; Miss Matthews, Mrs. Van Orshoven, Mrs. Walter Blakesley, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. McInnis, Mrs. Morgus, Mrs. McGorty, Mrs. Kiblan, Miss Lavina Kiblan, Miss Rose Kiblan, Mrs. Pendergast, Mrs. C. E. Lake, Miss Weist.

PIONEER WOMAN OF COUNTY PASSES

Mrs. Margaret J. Bryant, widow of Omar Bryant and mother to Mrs. F. E. Fisk and J. N. Rice, died Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, in Portland. Deceased was 80 years of age. Mrs. Bryant was born in Louisville, Ky., and came to Clatskanie in 1870. She was married the following year to Omar Bryant, a lumbering man and farmer. The Bryants moved, in 1907, to Portland, and Mr. Bryant died in 1909. Since that time Mrs. Bryant has been living with her daughter in Portland.

MORE PAVING FOR CLATSOP COUNTY

County Court Lets Contract for Four Miles—Will Cost \$62,000.

The county court of Clatsop county has recently let a contract for the paving of four miles of highway on the Lewis and Clark road. The paving contract was awarded to the Montague-O'Reilly Company of Portland, which will lay an asphaltic concrete pavement for \$41,573.98, and the grading contract was let to a Tillamook contractor for \$20,631.39, making a total for the four miles of \$62,195.37, or about \$15,500 per mile. The awards were based on the recommendations of the roadmaster, who submitted detailed reports to the court.

Several kinds of pavement were investigated by the court, but the asphaltic concrete won out, as above stated.

GERMANS IN HONOLULU

A letter received by a St. Helens resident from a relative in Honolulu states there is much war excitement there. The Germans on the interned vessels tried to burn the vessels and partly succeeded. The entire waterfront is patrolled by a heavy guard. There are 12,000 American troops now stationed in Honolulu, and the city is well protected by many fortifications.

OREGON LAND OPEN TO SETTLERS

Land Between Coos Bay and Roseburg Forfeited to Government.

By a recent decision handed down by the United States circuit court in San Francisco, which sustained the decision of the Oregon court, 26,000 acres of Oregon lands lying between Coos Bay and Roseburg were ordered forfeited to the government and thrown open to settlers.

The land was granted to the Coos Bay Wagon Company by congress in 1867 with provision that it should not be sold at more than \$2.50 per acre, nor more than 160 acres to any individual. Subsequently it fell into the hands of the Southern Oregon Company, the defendants, against whom the government brought suit to recover title, alleging violation of the provisions of the grant.

It was said that the Southern Oregon Company will take an appeal to the United States supreme court.

ERECTS BIG BUILDING

The new Southern Pacific building in San Francisco, which, when completed at the close of 1917 will be the largest office structure of its kind west of Chicago, is beginning to assume shape. The building which will house the San Francisco general offices of the railroad, will be ten stories in height. It will require 20,000 cubic yards of concrete, which would require about 80 cars of cement. It will need 3,500 tons of steel—40 tons to a car—and 500 tons of reinforcing steel besides 20 miles or 30 carloads of piping and piles, each 115 feet long. The building will weigh, when completed, 55,000 tons, the steel averaging 3,500 tons and the piling 6,600.